Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 28 Dec 2022 until 23:59 on Thursday 29 Dec 2022

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 28 Dec 2022 at 02:20 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for changeable weather over the next few days, medium for the detail on Wednesday, becoming low from Thursday.

Headline for Wednesday 28 Dec 2022: Mostly dry and bright through daylight hours, then rain and snow spreading from the south during the late afternoon and evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 28 Dec 2022

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** Low Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Heavy snow	Sleet	Sleet
Precipitation probability					
<05%	<05%	20%	80%	50%	30%

Forecast for Wednesday 28 Dec 2022

Weather: Some clear intervals overnight with any showers across Ben Alder and Creag Meagaidh slowly dying out. Mainly dry during the morning, then cloud clouds thickening with outbreaks of rain and snow spreading from the south in the afternoon and evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% becoming 80% during daylight hours, reducing 10% during the evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Broken cloud with bases 400-600 metres overnight, breaking to small amounts and lifting above the summits with mainly good visibilities during daylight hours. Low cloud reforming in the rain and snow during the late afternoon and evening with poor or very poor visibilities.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	24/30 W	11/14 W	11/14 SE	24/32 SE	29/38 SE	24/31 SE	24/33 SW
900	21/25 SW	9/11 SW	7/10 E	17/22 SE	19/25 S	23/29 SE	22/30 SW
600	14/19 SW	6/8 W	4/6 E	6/10 S	10/15 SE	13/20 S	14/22 SW
300	7/19 SW	3/9 SW	1/3 S	4/10 E	5/13 E	2/5 N	6/15 SW
Glen	4/18 W	3/9 SW	2/5 SE	3/9 NE	3/12 NE	2/6 W	3/15 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-3/-11	-2/-7	-2/-7	-4/-12	-4/-12	-3/-10	-3/-11
900	-0/-7	1/-3	0/-3	-1/-6	-1/-7	1/-5	0/-6
600	2/-3	2/-1	1/-0	1/-3	0/-4	2/-2	2/-3
300	2/-1	1/-1	1/0	2/-1	2/-1	2/0	2/-1
Glen	2/-0	0/-2	1/0	1/-1	1/-1	2/1	2/-0
Freezing Level*	800m	700m	700m	600m	700m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Mostly good conditions during daylight hours, but deteriorating rapidly later.

Forecast for Thursday 29 Dec 2022
Weather: Overnight rain and summit snow clearing to showers during the day with some sunshine at times, mainly across the Cairngorms. The showers will be heavy at times with a risk of thunder in the west, turning to snow at lower levels by the end of the afternoon.

Maximum wind: Westerly 30 gust 40 mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30%, locally 50% in the east.

Low cloud and visibility: Broken cloud with bases 400-600 metres with poor or very poor visibilities in the showers, cloud becoming patchy at times across the Cairngorms with bases lifting 600-800 metres

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1 rising to plus 5 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 1 Celsius lowering to minus 2 Celsius later.
Freezing level: 900 metres lowering to 400 metres later.

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